Dividing Transmission Method for Multimedia Service Using OpenStack

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Abstract - This paper proposes a dividing transmission method for providing an optimal delivery multimedia content using OpenStack. Multimedia data are installed in several servers, these servers has a Management Server which provides an optimal method when user requires content. In addition, we develop a partition algorithm so that users can receive multimedia data from these servers in an appropriated way through Management Server. In this paper, a fast algorithm for getting data in the multimedia server have developed based on the transmission of each server.

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1 Introduction

Various techniques have been researched in order to provide multimedia services globally. In addition, many agencies and suppliers are developing their business along with cloud services so users can require multimedia services at any time over the Internet [1-2]. However, building a real-time multimedia system service is difficult. In addition, to serve large amount request from users, we need manage the system efficiently. If the user requests data from a multimedia server that is far away or it is overloaded, users cannot have a seamless service. Therefore, in this paper, we propose an effective management resources method and a dividing algorithm that provides an optimal multimedia service in OpenStack [3]. Dividing transmission algorithm is a method that transmit data rapidly from a nearest server that contains data to a user [4]. If the server has no desired multimedia contents, it dedicates other servers that provide the requesting data even it has fast connection. In general, the transmitting multimedia data from the server that holds the content cannot provide an optimum if the server is far away from a user. Therefore, this paper uses the optimal selection server method user-oriented-based for the transmission of multimedia content that uses the transport techniques OpenStack. We describe the algorithm for split delivery and test the proposed system as well.

2 Related works

Many studies have been conducted with multimedia services. Among them, the multimedia transmission and related articles "Caching and optimized request routing in cloud-based content delivery systems" paper [5]. It limits storage costs and physical resources with a variety of uploading content and provides user-requested content quickly. It also described a method of how to reduce the delay time. The proposed method in this scheme serves the content using dynamic caching, the Elastic storage resources that are less costly than the existing algorithm. The "Volly Automated Data Placement for Get-Distributed Cloud Services" paper [6], describes an increasing in the size of the distributed data center services, data distribution considerate the costs and limitations of the WAN bandwidth with data center capacity. The proposed method has been described that an optimized algorithm development and connection request access patterns according to the data center and the log acquisition of the client location. In addition, this paper analyzes the log data acquisition using its proposed algorithm, then the data analysis was applied to a cloud service. Figure 1 shows a flowchart of data analysis in the paper.

![Fig. 1. Data flowchart analysis of Volly automated data placement](image)

In the paper "Improving Scalability of VoD Systems by Optimal Exploitation of Storage and Multicast" stated that VoD system users and an amount of data increases continually in accordance with the scalability and bandwidth VoD services. Therefore, in order to solve the above problem, Prepopulation assisted batching with multicast patching (PAB-MP) developed for End User Devices to read an initial segment of the pre-reading and video multicast server with fast and simple structure. Figure 2 shows the structure of the network proposed.

![Fig. 2. Structure of video delivery network](image)
in the paper. Multimedia transmission method of the above paper is that no matter how good they are based on the server, the server does not provide built even useless to users. In this paper, we developed an algorithm that provides multimedia content then selected the optimum server to incorporate each one in the center server for the user and proceed an experiment.

3 Operating structure of whole system

3.1 Scenario of the whole system

The overall structure of the system is shown in Figure 3. Fig 3-① user first uses the Web and requests the server for selecting the desired content. Fig 3-② OpenStack-based Management Server retrieves the servers which near the user’s location. Fig 3-③, the Management Server sent the user the list of the adjacent VM Data Servers. Fig 3-④, users request the respective data by using the list of VM DataServer which received from the Management Server, then the servers are requested to check a transmission rate of the user. Fig 3-⑤ a user check the transfer rate of the server, and then select the server volume. And it receives the multimedia data transmission request from the selected server. Fig 3-⑥ If the server does not provide optimum content transmission which requested by the user in the VM DataServer, user requests a file from the other server. At this time, the user transmits data that divided proportionally according to the data rate at which the file is requested to provide a respective server in multiple servers. When the split delivery to the user, the best portions of the fast server sends to the user multimedia content, it also receives the content from some other server. By this way, it can transmit multimedia data of high resolution and high quality. Finally, in Fig 3-⑦ if the content transfer is completed with fastest connections and terminate at the server (Server 3) then data is merged from data piece in the second fastest server (Server4) and the fastest server (Server 3). This is a user-oriented optimum method for transferring data in between servers and user, the user finally has a high resolution and high-quality transmission of multimedia data.

3.2 Division transmission method of real-time multimedia

Figure 4 shows the data division transfer scenarios for optimum multimedia transmission. Fig 4-① users use a variety of devices with Web access and select multimedia content. Fig 4-②, ③ After analyzing the location of the user device by using the IP, the server searches for the nearby multimedia content providing servers. Then, it checks the status of the multimedia content that requested by the user with the retrieved destination server. Fig 4-④ Management Server transfers the list of discovered servers to users. Fig 4-⑤ The user checks the response speed of the respective server, using the list received from Management Server. Fig 4-⑥ user checks the response rate of the data piece on server in order to request the content from the second fastest if there is no content in the second fastest Server4. The second fastest Server4 sent real-time multimedia content to users earlier than the rest of the content that requested by the user from the other, such as Fig 4-⑦ are partially transfer the content from the fastest Server3.

3.3 Dividing transmission algorithm for optimal transmission of multimedia content

Algorithm 1 is divided transmission algorithm for optimized transmission of multimedia content. $S_r(i)$ refers to a server that has the content requested by the user. After the server is ready to transmit data, the server finds in Management Server, the fastest server in the list Sort(0) which will transmit data from the fastest optimum server $S_r(0)$. The server will provide the
requested content to the user, if the server has different content then a next fastest server is used to provide data to users. The remaining servers are the servers that provide the optimal rate content on the size of the user-requested content, which is transmitted to the user proportionally transmitted to the server list Sort(0). At this point, the expression (1) means that the entire file, and divided according to the percentage of file size \( S_f(i+1) \) is the first front part of the multimedia data to be transferred. \( S_f(i+n) \) is sent directly to the user, except for servers that belong to the servers \( S_c(i) \) based on the speed ratio \( S_c \). The transferring data in server \( S_c(0) \) ends or the best Sort(0) server transfer data is completed, then the user receives the provided requested-content. Division transmission algorithm is shown in the Fig. 4-(4) ~ 6).

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S(i)_{\text{speed}} = \frac{F_{\text{size}}}{\text{Sum}_{S_{\text{speed}}}} = S(i)_{F_{\text{size}}}
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In order to receive offers from servers, we must measure the speed of servers. In this paper, we use ping testing method. First, the test-program sorts servers in the order which is proportional to the speed and transmits the data according to the split command. Secondly, the user requests the multimedia data from the data server. Third, multimedia data is sent to the user after the playback, it sends all the rest of the data files. Finally, the combined data is provided to the user. As such, the user receives the transferred data is partitioned on the basis of the fastest server in order, which is shown in sort expressions (2) with share proportionally data.

4 Division transmission experiment and evaluation result of multimedia content

In this paper, the algorithm was developed by dividing the actual data transfer. It is possible to use the simulation tools for testing, but we would rather develop a test program to find out how the rate comes out in actual application test. Fig. 5 shows the user is receiving data from the test program. Data Management Server uses a Linux-based OpenStack environment, the user client program test was developed using a Windows-based environment of the C# language. When a user connects to the server as shown in the figure, it shows a content list from the Management Server. A user chooses content by clicking on the content list which receives from the server that holds on the Management Server. The testing programs divided multimedia data transmission proportionally.

<p>| Table 1. Experiments environment network condition |
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Fig. 5. Test program for division transmission speed
Fig. 6. Partitioning multimedia data

Fig. 7. Data partitioning and its combination

Fig. 8. Division transmission test result of multimedia data

Fig. 6 shows a picture of reproducing the first data piece. It is possible to play the video partially as shown in the rectangle because it transmits the data into small pieces. Then, when part of the data transfer is complete, the data is combined into a single file can reproduce the entire multimedia file. Figure 7 shows the three received data pieces which deliver from multimedia data servers with 1-3.avi, and the combined multimedia data file is Movie2.avi. Fig. 8 shows the results of the speed test multimedia data transferred with the graph partitioning. The vertical axis represents the amount of time (in seconds), the horizontal axis represents the number of the server. Because the data is partitioned with rate 1:1 as shown in the image which makes the transmission typically faster, when we apply the algorithm to split data into the proportional piece, then we achieve transfer data faster than keeping the original file. The above program uses an algorithm in the real to measure whether the tests and data transfer, we might have some errors depending on the speed and the surrounding environment. Therefore, we use the extension number of the same data and use the server to get the accurate measurement under the same conditions, and measure the transmission rate.

5 Conclusions

We proposed a method for the user to find the optimal server center dividing multimedia content delivery in order to provide optimal multimedia services. In the experiment in this paper, we divide the transmission data based on a rate from Ping Test, The division number of the receiving server through the experimental results confirm that the speed of the content to be provided is reduced. In order to provide a service we use OpenStack, OpenStack only uses for server environments, In order to evaluate the proposed method, we developed the program on C#-based. In the future, we will continue the research for delivery data from dynamic VM environment resources efficiently.

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